

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 13, line 9, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Table 2 shows the properties of two-component epoxy resin compositions. The epoxy resin component in this case is in each case a mixture consisting of 85% of bisphenol A-~~diglycidyl~~ diglycidyl ether (available commercially from Vantico as Araldite GY-250) and 15% of trimethylolpropane triglycidyl ether. Compositions were mixed at 20 to 23°C and 50% relative atmospheric humidity with a hardener consisting of 95% by weight of the Mannich base or polyamine and 5% by weight of tris-(2,4,6-dimethylaminomethyl)phenol (Araldite HY-960, Vantico), mixing taking place stoichiometrically in respect of amine-H/epoxy groups, and the composition was cured under these conditions for 7 days.